



Township of Warren

Somerset County

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January 21, 2026

To: Anonymous

Re: OPRA 26-0015
opra+request-85644-729cdf2f@requests.opramachine.com

Dear Anonymous:

As a follow up to my response on January 16, 2026 wherein I requested an extension until January 21, 2026, attached please find the records responsive to your request.

Your OPRA request sought access to the following: *All emails originating from either lblick@warrennj.org or dcroson@warrennj.org, dated from 9/1/25 until the present, with a subject line or message body containing any of the following words/phrases: McManimon, Scotland & Baumann; McManimon; Scotland; Baumann; Bond Counsel; 2026-046; 046; 46.*

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Sincerely,

Donna Hands, RMC
Township Clerk

Donna Hands

From: dcroson@warrennj.org
Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2025 9:00 AM
To: Donna Hands
Subject: Re: 1/6/26 Agenda

Hey Donna,

Can you please pull the appointment of bond counsel out of consent? Thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 30, 2025, at 5:23 PM, Donna Hands <dhands@warrennj.org> wrote:

One important thing I forgot to mention is Resolution 2026-010 (meeting dates) changed. We moved the September, October and December meetings one week later than what was originally sent out.

Thank you,
Donna

From: Donna Hands
Sent: Tuesday, December 30, 2025 4:10 PM
To: Krane, Mark <mkrane@warrennj.org>; William Willard <wwillard@newjerseylaw.net>
Subject: 1/6/26 Agenda

Good afternoon, Township Committee,

I added the agenda packet to Dropbox. I did it differently this year and uploaded the packet as one document and bookmarked each section. When you download the packet it and open it as a pdf click the bookmark on the right
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I still owe you the bill list, minutes, and the salary resolution (2026-007) and will add them to dropbox as they are completed. I wanted to get you the bulk of it because I will be posting everything (except the salary resolution) to the website **end of day Friday**. Please let me know by Friday afternoon if you have any concerns.

Here is the link to dropbox.

Thank you,

**DONNA
HANDS**

TOWNSHIP CLERK

Warren Township

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Donna Hands

From: Lance Blick
Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2025 9:54 AM
To: Vanessa Kian; Donna Hands; Krane, Mark; William Willard
Cc: Shaun Fine; Daniel Croson
Subject: Re: 1/6/26 Agenda

Vanessa,

I'm not threatening anything. I'm simply making a point that this decision has question marks all over the place and should be reconsidered. I will however be a public voice if needed.

What the committee did for Gallic vs this is apples and oranges. We are hiring this firm professionally and frankly, it is wrong.

Regardless of what you knew prior to this vs now, you know it now and it is a major conflict of interest.

Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device

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From: Vanessa Kian <vkian@warrennj.org>
Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2025 9:47:27 AM
To: Lance Blick <lblick@warrennj.org>; Donna Hands <dhands@warrennj.org>; Krane, Mark <mkrane@warrennj.org>; William Willard <wwillard@newjerseylaw.net>
Cc: Shaun Fine <sfine@warrennj.org>; Daniel Croson <dcroson@warrennj.org>
Subject: Re: 1/6/26 Agenda

Lance,

I want to respond directly and clearly to the concerns you raised and document the following for the record.

First, neither Shaun nor I were aware that Jolanta Maziarz was affiliated with this firm until it was recently mentioned. Her employment at the firm was not known at the time of discussion and played no role whatsoever in the consideration of this firm.

Second, Jolanta has nothing to do with this decision, has not participated in any discussions regarding bond counsel, and will have no involvement in representing Warren Township in any capacity.

Third, the attorney who will be working directly for Warren Township has been highly recommended, appropriately vetted, and has an esteemed professional reputation in

municipal bond counsel work. The Township's interests would be served by his experience and qualifications, not by unrelated associations.

Fourth, the assertion that Jolanta engages in disparaging or disrespectful behavior toward residents on public forums is simply not accurate. She has never taken to social media or public platforms to demean, disparage, or disrespect the residents we represent.

By contrast, three of the five Township Committee members recently voted to honor Daniel Gallic with an award at a public meeting, despite his documented history of bullying residents on social media and harassing individuals during Township meetings. You did not raise concerns at that time, which makes the selective focus on "conduct" here difficult to reconcile.

Threatening to publicly move to terminate a professional firm based on speculation, assumptions, or the unrelated conduct of someone who is not representing the Township is not an appropriate standard for municipal decision-making.

I respectfully disagree that retaining this firm constitutes "asking for trouble." Our responsibility is to evaluate professionals based on qualifications, integrity, and the best interests of Warren Township—not perception-based arguments or political associations.

Vanessa Kian

Warren Township Committee

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From: Lance Blick <lblink@warrennj.org>

Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2025 9:10:42 AM

To: Donna Hands <dhands@warrennj.org>; Krane, Mark <mkrane@warrennj.org>; William Willard <wwillard@newjerseylaw.net>

Cc: Shaun Fine <sfine@warrennj.org>; Vanessa Kian <vkian@warrennj.org>; Daniel Croson <dcroson@warrennj.org>
Subject: Re: 1/6/26 Agenda

Thanks for this Donna. I want to document that I have a fundamental problem with this law firm being brought on as bond council.
<https://www.msnj.com/our-team>

Ms. Maziarz, who is a partner here was your campaign manager Shaun and Vanessa and also one of the most divisive figures in Warren. This one will cause question marks all over the place and my feeling is that we should be going with a different firm.

If this goes through, and Ms. Maziarz continues to initiate the above mentioned activities on public forums, I will make a public motion to fire this firm.

We are asking for trouble with this one. Just my opinion.
Lance

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